

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

Claim 1. A method of making a welding helmet having selected non-human animal facial features comprising:

preparing a mold for molding the welding helmet having a reverse structure of the animal facial features which features include a nose feature and a mouth feature and in which there is an area for receiving a welding helmet lens in the area that would otherwise contain eye facial features;

molding a plastic material in the mold to create a welding helmet having the selected animal facial features on the exterior; and

fitting a welding helmet lens to the welding helmet in the area for receiving a welding helmet lens.

Claim 2. The method of claim 1 wherein the animal facial features represent a bulldog head.

Claim 3. The method of claim 1 wherein the animal facial features represent a gorilla head.

Claim 4. The method of claim 1 in which the animal facial features are mammalian.

Claim 5. The method of claim 1 further comprising fitting a headgear assembly to the welding helmet.

Claim 6. A method of making a welding helmet having an animal skull facial features comprising:

preparing a mold for molding the welding helmet having a reverse structure of an animal skull facial features, which animal skull facial features include a nose feature and a mouth feature and in which there is an area for receiving a welding helmet lens in the area that would otherwise contain eye facial features;

molding a plastic material in the mold to create a welding helmet having the animal skull facial features on the exterior; and

fitting a welding helmet lens to the welding helmet in the area for receiving a welding helmet lens.

Claim 7. The method of claim 2 wherein the animal facial features represent a bulldog head.

Claim 8. The method of claim 2 wherein the animal facial features represent a gorilla head.

Claim 9. The method of claim 2 in which the animal facial features are mammalian.

Claim 10. The method of claim 2 further comprising fitting a headgear assembly to the welding helmet.